

REMARKS

Status of the Claims

Following this Amendment, the pending claims are now claims 2, 4, 6, 10, 11, 13, 15, 21, 22 and 32. The sole independent claim is claim 32. Claims 1, 16, 17, 20, 23-31 and 33 are cancelled herein. Previously, claims 3, 5, 7-9, 12, 14, and 18-19 were cancelled. Previously, claims 23-31 were withdrawn in response to a requirement for restriction made by Examiner.

Allowable Subject Matter and Claim Amendments

In the referenced Office Action, independent claim 32 was deemed allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the rejections under 35 USC112, 2nd paragraph, set forth in this Office Action. Accordingly, in order to better define the invention, independent claim 32 was amended to delete the second reference to MCM-22 family. Dependent claims 2, 4, 6, 10, 11, 13, 15, 21, 22 were amended to depend from independent claim 32.

In order to progress prosecution, independent claims 1 and 33, and dependent claims 16, 17 and 20, as well as, withdrawn claims 23-31 are cancelled herein.

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Applicants submit that all pending claims, i.e., independent claim 32 and dependent claims 2, 4, 6, 10, 11, 13, 15, 21, 22, are allowable over the cited prior art of record. Accordingly, Applicants request a speedy notice of allowance. In the event there are outstanding issues, Applicants request a personal or telephone interview with Examiner.

Respectfully submitted,

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